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SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL TREATY NEGOTIATIONS

REF: WYROUGH-NADEAU TELCON OF 8/21/77, 7:30 A.M.

FOR WYROUGH FROM NADEAU

1. REGRET WE HAVE TAKEN SO LONG TO GET THIS TO YOU
AND PER YOUR REQUEST THIS MORNING WE ARE SENDING IT FLASH.
BECKER IS SURE THAT THIS IS THE EXCHANGE YOU REFERRED TO.

2. BEGIN QUOTE CONFIDENTIAL DRAFT EXCHANGE OF NOTES

EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY AND
THE RELATED AGREEMENTS SIGNED THIS DATE BY REPRESENTATIVES
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OF THE UNITED STATES AND PANAMA. I SHOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM
OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT:

(1) IN ADDITION TO THE MILITARY ACTIVITIES DIRECTLY RELATED
TO THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY, THE
UNITED STATES MAY CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES IN THE

REPUBLIC OF PANAMA:

- (A) TROPIC TESTING AND MEDICAL RESEARCH
- (B) TELECOMMUNICATIONS
- (C) INTER-AMERICAN GEODETIC SURVEY
- (D) HUMANITARIAN RELIEF OPERATIONS; INCLUDING SEARCH AND RESCUE.
- (E) SCHOOLING OF LATIN AMERICAN MILITARY PERSONNEL

(2) IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THESE ACTIVITIES, THE UNITED STATES MAY USE INSTALLATIONS WITHIN THE DEFENSE SITES, AND THE INSTALLATIONS LISTED IN THE ANNEX TO THIS NOTE.

(3) THE AGREEMENT IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE II OF THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY SHALL APPLY TO THESE ACTIVITIES AND INSTALLATIONS.

(4) (A) THE ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED SERVICES ASSIGNED TO THESE ACTIVITIES SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE "MEMBERS OF THE FORCES" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE AGREEMENT IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE II.

(B) NATIONALS OF THE UNITED STATES TO WHOM UNITED STATES PASSPORTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED, AND NATIONALS OF THIRD COUNTRIES WHO ARE NOT HABITUAL RESIDENTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA, WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY THE UNITED STATES AND
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ASSIGNED TO THESE ACTIVITIES, SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE "MEMBERS OF THE CIVILIAN COMPONENT" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE STATUS OF UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

(C) THE SPOUSE AND CHILDREN OF PERSONS REFERRED TO IN SUB-PARAGRAPHS (A) AND (B) ABOVE, AND OTHER RELATIVES OF SUCH PERSONS WHO DEPEND ON THEM FOR THEIR SUBSISTENCE AND WHO HABITUALLY LIVE WITH THEM UNDER THE SAME ROOF SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE "DEPENDENTS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE STATUS OF UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

(D) MILITARY PERSONNEL OF OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES ASSIGNED TO SCHOOL DUTY IN THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (1)(F) OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO THE PRIVILEGES AUTHORIZED UNDER ARTICLES XI AND XVII OF THE AGREEMENT IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE II.

(5) CHANGES IN THE ABOVE LISTED ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES MAY BE AGREED UPON BY THE TWO PARTIES THROUGH THE JOINT COMMITTEE CREATED BY ARTICLE III OF THE AGREEMENT IN IM-

PLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE II.

(6) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL ENTER INTO FORCE SIMULTANEOUSLY
WITH THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY AND
SHALL EXPIRE WHEN THAT TREATY EXPIRES.

I SHOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT, IF AGREEABLE TO YOUR GOV-
ERNMENT, THIS NOTE, TOGETHER WITH YOUR REPLY, SHALL CON-
STITUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDER-
ATION. END QUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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